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October 15 2013

Acton Beacon Legal Ad Division

Below please find a copy of a legal advertisement to appear in the Acton Beacon on
October 31 and November 7, 2013.

Please send the bill to:

Jacob Abraham
39 Pope Road
Acton, MA 01720
978-263-9961

Please send proof copy and tear sheet to:

Town Manager's Office
472 Main Street
Acton, MA 01720

Very truly yours,

Christine Joyce
Town Manager's Office

Selectman Clough

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF ACTON
NOTICE OF HEARING

The Acton Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on November 18, 2013 at 7:10 PM in the Francis Faulkner Hearing Room in Town Hall, 472 Main Street, Acton on the application of Jacob Abraham, for a Use Special Permit #10/11/13-445, required under Sections 3.6.3 of the Acton Zoning Bylaw, for a Special Permit to manufacture firewood at 848 Main Street, Acton, MA 01720. The application and accompanying plans can be inspected at Town Hall during normal business hours.

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Christine Joyce

From: axebros [axebros@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2013 6:37 PM
To: Board of Selectmen; Planning Department; Manager Department
Subject: Continuance for special permit 10/11-13-445, 848 Main Street

Dear Members of the Board and to all it may concern,

I respectfully request a continuance for the hearing regarding a special use permit, # 10/11-13-445, to manufacture firewood at 848 Main St. I was unaware of some of the information needed by the planning department and do not have the time to get the information requested, so it was recommended that I request a continuance. The information I need will have to come from a third party source which I cannot control. I am requesting a continuance until January 6th as suggested by the Planning Dept.

-Jacob Abraham



November 14, 2013

BY ELECTRONIC MAIL: bos@acton-ma.gov

Acton Board of Selectmen
Acton Town Hall
472 Main St.
Acton, MA 01720

Re: 848 Main Street, Acton – Special Permit Application

Dear Members of the Board:

As you know, this firm represents neighbors and abutters to the proposed wood processing operation located at 848 Main Street in Acton, on land identified as Assessor's Map C5, Parcel 39 (the "Project Site").¹ It has come to our attention that the Board of Selectmen is planning to continue Monday's public hearing on this special permit application to January 6, 2014. My clients have been told that the purported reason for this continuance is that the Applicant Jacob Abraham was unable to obtain a survey of the Project Site, to respond to a question posed by the Town's planning staff concerning the percentage of open space on the Project Site under existing and proposed conditions.

Several of the neighbors in the abutting Robbins Brook retirement community will be out-of-town on January 6th, some of whom spend winters in warmer climates. As such, they will be deprived of the opportunity to voice their concerns with the proposed use of the Project Site, which stands to significantly disrupt their quality of life in retirement. This continuance seems to benefit only the Applicant, who's special permit application failed to include the barest of details of the proposed outdoor manufacturing use, such as a site plan showing the locations of the various elements of this operation. This continuance is prejudicial to Neighbors, who are prepared for this hearing, and who met the Board's Noon on Wednesday deadline for submitting evidence. We question why the Board is accommodating the Applicant in this regard, instead of

^{1/} For purposes of this letter, my clients are: Patricia and Robert Jones of 47 Hartland Way; Gerald Marilyn and David Portyrata, 1 Tinsdale Dr; Art and Amy Vartoukian, 39 Hartland Way; Doug and Jan Deyoe, 41 Hartland Way; Roger and Suzanne Winsby, 12 Preston Way; Linda Larson, 22 Devon Drive; Cedrid F and Arlette E Harring, 18 Preston Way; Leo E Lemer, Jr, 4 Tinsdale Dr; Sandra C. King, 21 Devon Drive; John and Arlene Parillo, 16 Preston Way; Anthony and Janice Vuolo, 8 Preston Way; Robert and Kay Barta, 43 Hartland Way; Patricia Higgins, 45 Hartland Way; Tom and Jody Shea, 3 Tinsdale; Joe and Mary Najjar, 35 Hartland Way; Helen and Ray Taylor, 1 Preston Way; Peggy Rothrauff, 16 Hartland Way; Marcia Anderson, 17 Hartland Way; Rita and Alan Kaprelian, 17 John Francis Way; Gail Enman, 27 Hartland Way # 106; George and Hulen Kornfeld, 37 Hartland Way; Richard and Ann Marchand, 5 Preston Way; Elizabeth M. Kurczynski, MD, 20 Preston Way; Louise and Alan Pooler, 22 Preston Way; and Thomas Vantre, 11 John Francis Way.

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asking the Applicant to withdraw its application and come back when he is more prepared. The Board would also be justified in denying the application for incompleteness. We would respectfully request that the hearing proceed as publicly noticed on Monday evening.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan 12".

Daniel C. Hill

cc: Clients

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Christine Joyce

From: Christine Joyce
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2013 10:37 AM
To: Holly Ben-Joseph; Board of Selectmen
Cc: Design Review Board
Subject: RE: DRB - request to be put on BOS agenda

Holly, Dave did give us a heads up at last meeting. I can fit you in on November 18th at 7:35 for 15 minutes, and we really need to stick to that 15 minutes as this time of year time is important for all the end of year issues addressed by the Board. If you have any materials you would like the board to have and review on the 18th, please forward them to me on the Wednesday before the Monday Meeting for inclusion in the Selectmen's Mail Packet.

From: Holly BenJoseph [<mailto:hollydbj@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2013 10:29 AM
To: Board of Selectmen
Cc: Design Review Board
Subject: DRB - request to be put on BOS agenda

Hello Christine,

I am contacting you to request some time for the DRB in front of the Board of Selectmen, (I hope Dave Clough has given you a heads-up).

The DRB would like to introduce ourselves to the new Board of Selectmen members, and also briefly describe what we do as a committee and the process we follow when reviewing a project. I don't think this should take more than 10 to 15 minutes.

Most of our members are available on November 18, and December 2nd, so we would like to request to be put on the agenda for either of those dates.

Thank you,
Holly Ben-Joseph
Design Review Board - Chair

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